Concrete and brick paths in Paschim Vihar, Delhi

1707. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the drains, culverts and streets (cement concrete and brick work paths) are in bad shape in the plotted area of A-4 Block Paschim Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some cement concrete work has been left over by the MCD authorities;

(c) if so, what are the reasons thereof; and

(d) by when these work would be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The MCD has reported that while developing this colony, DDA had provided brick pavement in back lanes. After taking over the services of the Colony, MCD has improved some of the brick paved lanes which were in bad condition by providing cement concrete pavement. Some of the back lanes are still brick paved.

The work of improvement is being taken up by MCD in a phased manner.

The improvement of the remaining lanes will also be taken up by MCD in phased depending upon the requirement and availability of funds. The culverts in this block are maintained in satisfactory condition.

Encroachment on Government land in Paschim Vihar, New Delhi

1708. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total area allotted by the DDA to the owners of Plot No. A-3/313 and A-4/31 of Paschim Vihar, New Delhi;

(b) total area covered by these owners separately;

(c) whether there is any proposal to demolish the encroachment on Government land; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) DDA has reported that the total area of the plots allotted by DDA in Paschim Vihar to the owners mentioned in the Question is as under :—

(1) Plot No. A-3/313 126 Sq. m.

(2) Plot No. A-4/31 202.50 Sq.m.

(b) DDA reports that in addition to allotted land, 212 sq. m. approx. has been encroached upon by the allottee of plot No. A-3/313, Paschim Vihar and 67 sq. m. approx. by the allottee of A-4/31.

(c) and (d) DDA is taking up action under the terms of lease as well as programme for removal of encroachment.

Development of slums in Gujarat

1709. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of people living in slums in Vadodara, Surat, Ahmedabad, Anand and Kheda in Gujarat and what is their percentage to the total population;

(b) what efforts have been made by Government to provide them the basic amenities; and

(c) whether Government propose to spend a minimum amount per person for this purpose, and if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The information is given in the attached statement.

(b) Under the Scheme of 'Environmental Improvement of Urban Slums in the State Sector, a package of basic services like potable water, open sewer and storm water drains, street lighting, community